# A Way to Say Thanks to Hoosier First Responders

On a daily basis, many of your fellow Hoosiers put your safety first. Members of the fire service, law enforcement, and emergency medical services from across Indiana make the well-being of their fellow citizens their top priority when called to respond to an incident.

Now there is a way for you to show Hoosier first responders your support and gratitude for their commitment to their fellow citizens. The next time you renew your vehicle's plate, ask for a "Secure Indiana" license plate.



### For More Information

For more information about the Indiana Homeland Security Foundation, please contact the Council Coordinator at (317) 234-6219.

For more information about the Foundation Scholarship program, please visit www.in.gov/dhs/foundationscholarship.htm



Indiana Government Center South
302 West Washington Street
Room E208
Indianapolis, IN 46204
Phone: 317-232-3980





Michael R. Pence Governor



#### About the Plate

The revenue from Secure Indiana license plate sales funds the Indiana Homeland Security Foundation. The Foundation, one of the first of its kind in the nation, offers financial support for critical public safety needs across Indiana.

The Foundation funds public safety projects at the local level. Local public safety organizations in your communities are eligible to apply for projects such as personal protective equipment, daily use equipment, and training for emergency responders.

### Small Fee, Big Impact

The fee to receive a Secure Indiana license plate is only \$40, in addition to your normal vehicle registration and excise fees. Of the \$40 fee, the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicle retains \$15 for administrative costs with the remaining \$25 going directly to the Foundation. (Note: if you request a low-end number from one to 100 or a specific number, there is an additional one-time \$30 "pull" fee.)

By paying a small fee and purchasing a Secure Indiana license plate, you can make a big impact by assisting Indiana's first responders who help protect your loved ones, your neighbors and you. Declare your dedication to Secure Indiana today!





# Indiana Homeland Security Foundation Scholarship

The Foundation offers a Secure Indiana Scholarship to provide higher education financial assistance for Indiana students who wish to pursue a degree.

This is a competitive scholarship program for eligible recipients who maintain a minimum of a 2.8 GPA, submit an essay, and are given a recommendation from the public safety organization for which he or she volunteers. Full-time students (at least 12 credit hours) are eligible for \$2,000, while part-time students (at least 6 credit hours) are eligible for \$1,000. These funds are made possible by the sale of the Secure Indiana license plate.

Scholarships are awarded once each school year to undergraduate students attending an Indiana college. To reach a geographically diverse group of candidates, at least one scholarship will be awarded to each legislative district. The program funds are intended solely to reimburse eligible student educational expenses.



#### **Promoting Public Safety Volunteerism**

Indiana relies on a robust and passionate first responder volunteer force in collaboration with government and private entities to provide for a Secure Indiana. Mindful of the future, the Indiana Department of Homeland Security has a strategic interest in building up the state's volunteer force by encouraging Indiana's youth and adults to volunteer for public safety organizations and in promoting the rewarding pursuit of a college degree.

By paying a small fee and purchasing a Secure Indiana license plate from your local BMV branch, you can show your dedication to the importance of careers in public safety and volunteerism in Indiana.



## **Grant Funding**

Fire departments, law enforcement agencies and emergency medical services can apply for grant funding through the Foundation for items such as: AEDs, personal protection equipment, radios and technology equipment. (Many other items are also eligible.) Each department can receive up to \$4,000 each year from the Foundation.